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TO: **City Council**
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DATE: **November 20th, 2024**
SUBJECT: **Transportation Benefit District -Tax Proposition, For/Against Committees**

Executive Summary

When the City places items on the ballot for voter decisions, it has the opportunity to create committees to provide statements for and against related to the item. If the City does not create the committees, the County Auditor's Office solicits committee members on the City's behalf. The Stevenson Utility Rate Reduction, Street Repair, Infrastructure Investment Proposition will appear on the February 2025 ballot asking voters within the City of Stevenson Transportation Benefit District whether a sales tax levy should be approved.

Recommended Action

MOTION: To create committees For and Against Proposition 1, to appoint the following members to these committees and to authorize mayoral appointment of additional members, not to exceed 4 on each committee.

Committee FOR:

- Dave Cox
- Kara Owen

Committee AGAINST:

- Chuck Oldfield

Background

The initial intent of establishing a Transportation Benefit District is to allow for the transfer of .3% sales tax from the General Fund to the Water/Sewer fund to decrease the utility rates. The goal is to have a ballot measure for the February special election as decided at the June 20th council meeting. The calendar outlined for the process is below. There is some room for an additional meeting if needed to make the deadline of December 13th for filing a resolution for the February Special Election.

- ~~August 7, 2024 – Adopt Ordinance Establishing TBD Completed~~
- ~~September 19, 2024- Adopt ordinance assuming powers of the District On this agenda~~
- ~~October 17, 2024 – Adopt resolution for the TBD Sales Tax Ballot Measure for Feb 11th election~~
- December 13, 2024 – Last day to notify County of For/Against Committees **On this agenda**
- February 11, 2025 – Special Election (tax implemented on July 1, received in September 2025)

Prepared by,

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